

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

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1. (currently amended) A holder for flippable pages comprising:
a panel having a face surface and a back surface;
a ring system attached on the face surface of the panel, a cover with an aperture adjacent the ring system, the ring system including
a plurality of hingedly connected leaves for relative movement between the leaves,
a ring having two ring halves, each ring half being attached to one of the leaves respectively; and
a rotatable locking device that locks when administered with a rotational force, and traverses in a direction perpendicular to the face surface of the panel, and can press against the leaves and secure the leaves from moving in order to lock the ring, the locking device includes an area between the cover and the leaves that is larger than the aperture of the cover so the locking device is not removable from the aperture of the cover.
2. (original) The holder of claim 1 wherein a majority of the locking device when locked does not extend above the cover.
3. (original) The holder of claim 1 wherein the area that is larger than the aperture of the cover is a lip.
4. (currently amended) The holder of claim 1 having a plurality of rings, each having two ring halves wherein the rotatable locking device consists essentially of a rotatable threaded cylinder and the aperture in the cover that guides the rotatable threaded cylinder.
5. (original) The holder of claim 1 wherein the locking device includes a shaped aperture in an end opposite to an end having the area that is larger than the aperture.
6. (original) The holder of claim 5 wherein the shaped aperture is a hexagon.
7. (original) The holder of claim 6 wherein the locking device is part of a three-ring binder.

- 8.(currently amended) The holder of claim 1 wherein the leaves, when the rings are closed, form a predetermined angle with respect to each other so that the leaves are substantially parallel wherein the locking device does not go past the leaves.
9. (original) The holder of claim 8 wherein the locking device when inserted in the cover prevents the leaves from rotating toward the cover.
10. (currently amended) A lockable holder for use with removable pages, the holder comprising:
a panel having a face surface and a back surface;
a ring system attached on the face surface of the panel, the ring system including
a plurality of rings, each ring having two ring halves,
a plurality of hingedly connected leaves for relative movement between the leaves,
wherein an end of each ring half of each ring is attached to one of the leaves respectively; and
a cover having an aperture and having openings adapted for the respective ring halves; and
a locking device installed on the cover of the ring system, the locking device includes a cylinder with spiral threads, wherein the aperture in the cover is a guide for the threaded cylinder; the threaded cylinder including an area inside the cover that is larger than the aperture so the threaded cylinder is not removable from the aperture of the cover;
wherein the locking device operates so that the ring halves can only be opened when the cylinder is not inserted in the aperture enough to press on the leaves, and the locking device when inserted into the aperture enough to press against the leaves and secures the leaves from moving;
wherein the pages can be installed or removed by opening the rings in the ring system.
11. (original) The holder of claim 10 wherein the locking device includes a shaped aperture in a head of the cylinder.
12. (original) The holder of claim 11 wherein the shaped aperture is a hexagon.
13. (original) The holder of claim 10 wherein the leaves, when the rings are closed, form a predetermined angle with respect to each other so that the leaves are substantially parallel.

14. (original) The holder of claim 13 wherein the locking device when inserted in the cover prevents the leaves from rotating toward the cover.

15. (currently amended) A lockable flip chart holder adapted to attach to a display for use

with removable flip chart pages, the flip chart holder comprising:

a panel having a face surface and a back surface;

a mount attached to the back surface of the panel;

a ring system attached on the face surface of the panel, the ring system including

a plurality of rings, each ring having two ring halves,

a plurality of leaves hingedly connected for relative movement between the leaves,

wherein an end of each ring half of each ring is attached to one of the leaves respectively; and

a cover on the ring system having a cover aperture and having openings adapted for the respective ring halves; and

a locking device installed on the cover of the ring system, the locking device includes a cylinder with spiral threads and a shaped aperture in a head of the cylinder, wherein the cover aperture in the cover is a guide for the threaded cylinder; the threaded cylinder including an area inside the cover that is larger than the aperture so the threaded cylinder is not removable from the aperture of the cover;

wherein the locking device operates so that the ring halves can only be opened when the cylinder is not pressed against the leaves, and the locking device can press against the leaves and secure the leaves from moving;

wherein the flip chart pages can be installed or removed by opening the rings in the ring system.

16. (original) The flip chart holder of claim 15 further comprising a tool with an end that corresponds to the shape of the shaped aperture in the head of the cylinder.

17. (original) The flip chart holder of claim 15 wherein the area that is larger than the aperture of the cover is a lip.